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# GERMANS CAPTURE RUSSIANS MOWED

of Haucourt, Near Verdun, Berlin Claims.

FRENCH GUNS HEAVILY SHELLING THE ENEMY

Evidently Striving to Prevent De- Gains Made Northwest of Dvinsk bouch From Cover of Malancourt Wood.

The French guns have been eneretically cannonading the German posime four and one-half miles situation.

East of the Meuse the German bom-ardment appears to have diminished in intensity, according to Paris, only inter-mittent firing being reported in the viand Damloup and Woevre region.

### French Statement.

In the Argonne district our batteries ast night cannonaded with energy the nergy positions in the wood of Malanplosion of a mine and occupied the re-

West of the River Meuse the night and quietly. East of the river there as intermittent bombarding in the visitity of bouaumont and Damloup. In the Woevre district there have een some outbursts of artillery fire in a sectors of Moulsinville and Eparges, oith sides taking part.

There has been no other development importance on the rest of the front.

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Berlin Communication.

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Fire Asphyxiating Shells.

"On the south bank of Lake Narocz we repulsed a counter attack inght on the campaign in France to the South, as far as the region of the Germans fired asphyxiating shells.

"On the south bank of Lake Narocz work and tremendous saving of property effected by the coast guard, which has continued and furthered by an aerial corps, an economy that is now many times the cost of maintaining and operating the coast guard. Subject of Lembergi, we repulsed a activity and against the enemy trenches and southeast of Kosloff (southwaster), we repulsed a state that the first and southeast of Kosloff (southwaster), we repulsed and three dugouts filled with transm were bombed and blown in.

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by German army headquarters is as tor of the Russian line.

Champagne, on the Somme-Py-Souain near Postavy. German wire entangle-high road, and in the Argonne and in ments and the front line trenches

# Waning Verdun Effort

BERLIN, March 24.-Attempts in

cess in the forests of Avocourt and Malancourt places the French north-western positions of Malancourt and as well as requests for relief, either

Bethincourt in a precarious situation because they hulge into the German inex exposing the communications to fleuking attacks.

Itegarding the German attack of Monday, the correspondent says that terrife artiflery fire prepared for the infantry advance which began at 6 p.m. and continued until 10 p.m. when three French lines were broken. The correspondent says that terrife artiflery fire prepared for the infantry advance which began at 6 p.m. and continued until 10 p.m. when three French lines were broken. The correspondent says the German losses were quite moderate. He talked The correspondent says the German losses were quite moderate. He talked with many French prisoners, whom he quotes as being unanimous in saying that they had been completely stupified by the terrible effects of the German untillers.

# FRENCH TRENCHES DOWN. SAYS BERLIN PLANS AERIAL CORPS

Against Germans Suffer Heavily. Is Claim.

PETROGRAD CONTINUES TO REPORT SUCCESS

and in Jacobstadt and Lake Narocz Regions.

LONDON, March 24.—Berlin admits no permanent successes for the Russian would provide the United States with vicinity of Haucourt, northwest troops, but the Petrograd statements a fleet of of Verdun, German army headquarters continue to claim advantages gained acronauts, will be created if a bill now near Lake Narocz, to the south.

Berlin dispatches declare the German under the terrific bombardment by the the work conding to Paris. The in- Russians, while the attacking forces tention apparently is to break up an have been moved down in masses. Conanticipated attempt of the Germans to fidence is expressed in the German capfrom this cover and make ital on the outcome of the fighting, refurther efforts to advance southward liance being placed upon Field Marshal toward the main line Paris-Verdun rail- von Hindenburg to take care of the

### Russian Statement.

sued today, reads The contest is developing in the

The text of the French official state- piercing the enemy's line.

"Below Dvinsk our artillery successfully dispersed Germans massing near Schischkovo. South of Dvinsk, as far a violent artillery and rifle duel.
"In the sector of Mintzinny-Lake Sokly and south of Lake Dreswiaty the eventy in a counter attack took part of lifed by enemy in a counter attack took part of the trenches we captured the previous night. In the center of this sector of there has been a violent artillery and mer

"On the Villeta-Mojeika front, northwest of Postavy, and in the region of Lakes Miedziol and Narocz, the fight-ing continues. Southwest of Lake Narocz we repulsed a counter attack and again advanced under a violent hombardment.

The violence of the artillery duels increased considerably at times in the

# Summon No Reserves.

Mary S. Woodrow, ninety-eight years of age, a cousin of Mrs. Abraham Lincoin, has died at her home here. Mrs. Woodrow was bridesmaid at the wed-ding of Abraham Lincoln and her cousin Mary Todd.

# **BILL IN PREPARATION**

Two Lines Taken in Vicinity Masses of Men Advancing Will Provide U. S. With Many Airships and Efficient Aeronauts.

> WOULD EXPAND GREATLY COAST GUARD EFFICIENCY

Adds Number of Officers to Personnel and Creates the Grade of Aeronautical Machinist.

many airships and efficient at various points, both northwest of in preparation gains the expected sanc-

component part of the coast guard. In an auxiliary of the United States Navy and provide a

### Measure of Preparedness.

coast guard aerial corps would meet the general demand that the United The latest official communication from Russian general headquarters, is- States be equipped with an efficient fleet of airships for guarding the coast and spying out an enemy ap-Riga region. In the Jacobstadt sector proaching by sea or through the air. we followed up yesterday's success. The work of the aerial corps in conserving life and property at sea would be the proper expansion and development of the efficiency of the coast

The text of today's official statement is as o pay of their grade.

# Task for Secretary of Trasury.

Champagne, on the Somme-Py-Souain high road, and in the Argonne, and in the Meuse district as far as the Mobielle.

At night the Russians attacked in thick waves. The first two waves were would down before they reached the couple of trenches west of Haucourt. On this occasion the number of prisoners increased to thirty-two officers and 879 men.

Germans Say Pauses

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### Field for Intrepid Airmen. Both aeroplanes and dirigibles, in

heir use in the European war, have developed the science of oversea aeropauties to a point where it seems that nothing is impossible to the intrepid and skilled aeronaut. Machines are being made that carry a fuel supply sufficient for several hundred miles of travel in air.

The aircraft that will be the prin-

cipal vehicle of the coast guard aerial corps, if its establishment is accom-plished, will be a seaplane, fitted with wireless and a gyroscope



A coast patrol by airships would seem a natural function of the coast guard. The coast guard is regarded also as offering the best facilities and having the best machinery for the maintenance and operation of a fleet of airships for coast duty and oversea flight. Navigation is one of the qualifications required by the sky pilot under these conditions; officers of the coast guard, who will be the operators tion as part of their sea duties

### HONOR FOR BARON HARDINGE. To Be Made Knight of the Garter on

Retiring as Viceroy of India. LONDON, March 24 .- It is announced that Baron Hardinge will be appointed a knight of the garter on his retirement as viceroy of India.

# WILL BE GUESTS OF CHILE.

communication is addressed to Acting a commission to attend him during his

# ~ Next Sunday

The Comics lost last

Sunday by the railroad turned up today, and both Comic Supplements will be issued with next Sunday's Star.

### BEAUTIFUL PICTURES IN STAR SUPPLEMENT

Next Sunday's Star will contain another planogray ure supplement illustrated by beautiful photographic reproductions.

The first page will be devoted entirely to a group of subjects from the collection of drawings in pencil, etc., by eminent French artists, and presented to the people of the United States by citizens of the French republic. The originals of these pictures are in the National Gallery.

Other pages will contain snapshots of men who legislate for the nation, and young lady devotees of the bridle paths in Rock Creek Park. And they will be as

good as photographs. "Here and There With the Camera Man" will also have a good representation. This supplement can be found only in The Sunday

# BISHOP CRANSTON IN TEARS.

Tributes Paid to Him at Session of Washington Conference.

special Dispatch to The Star. RICHMOND, Va., March 24—Bishop Carl Cranston was moved to tears at esterday's session of the Washington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in progress here, ton and nearby suburbs. following tributes paid him by Dr. D.

W. Hays, district superintendent of the outbreak. American Consular Agent Baltimore district.

Reports were heard from Rev. C. E. Hodges superintendent of the Alexandria district; Rev. C. G. Cummins of the Annapolis district. Dr. Hays of the Baltimore district and Rev. R. W. S. Thomas of the Cumberland district.

# STEAMER IS TORPEDOED

WITHOUT ANY WARNING steamer Koinig has been torpedoed vithout warning in the channel, according to a report received here. The crew was saved. Available shipping ecords show no steamer Koinig.

The Danish bark Claudia has been sunk, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen. Her crew was rescued. The Claudia was a vessel of 367 tons gross. She sailed from Jacksonville February 26 for Fleetwood, England.

# COMING TO BOOST TRADE.

Delegation of Russian Business Men

Expected in Washington Soon.

A delegation of Russian financiers and commercial men which arrived in New York recently to tell American manufacturers of the opportunities offered in Russia for the extraord.

Consul Letcher dispatched a report that Gen. Herrera was in command of the defacto troops there and was incommand was incommand to the consultation of the Gen. Carranza."

His report is regarded as removing one of the most menacing features of the pursuit.

Nothing new was learned here of the reported uprising of Gen. Lais Herrera fered in Russia for the extension of the foreign trade of the United States will come to Washington soon for conferences with the foreign trade advisers of the State Department.

It is understood that the Russians

# Consider Sugar Duty Increase. Serious consideration was given by

ington merchants find that they can sell the most goods at the least expense.

## YESTERDAY'S FIGURES Local Display.

The Evening Star ... . 20,716 2d Newspaper..... 7,007 3d Newspaper ..... 6,210 4th Newspaper ..... 4.151 17,368

### combined-3,348 lines. The Star, with its circulation of over 80,000, is a regular visitor to nine out of ten homes in Washing-

Excess over other three

# **FUNSTON BELIEVES** U. S. AND CARRANZA TROOPS BEAT VILLA

# CONSULS DISCOUNT NO CONFIRMATION MASSING OF TROOPS

ment of Carranzistas Along Mexican Border.

ORDERS GIVEN TO WATCH AMMUNITION SHIPMENTS

Be Sent De Facto Government Forces of Doubtful Loyalty.

of Carranza troops on the border continued to reach the State Department today American consuls in northern Mexico, under orders of the State

Department to investigate the

Reports of the alleged massing

troop movements, reported that they found no massing of troops in the northern sections.

All Quiet in Durango.

State Department dispatches from Durango, San Luis Potosi, Nogales and other points reported quiet. Americans were leaving the Durango region, but there was no anti-American Williams at Torreon, who left his poswas ordered out by the American Rub ber Company, which employed him. He is not in the regular consular service.

The Navy Department had no reports from Tampico despite efforts to reach the battleship kentucky by radio. The gunboat Machias at Tampico also failed to respond. Radio officers thought atmospheric conditions along the gulf

ospheric conditions along the guest probably prevented communications. ion last night WITHOUT ANY WARNING
HAVRE. March 24.—The Norwegian decamer Koinig has been torpedoed without warning in the channel are to reach Carranza forces whose loyalty to the de facto government was in

# Herrera Disloyalty Denied.

Mai. Gen. Funston sent this telegram to the War Department; "Clen Herrera in a telegram to Genhe has gone over to Villa. Gen. Gutierrez, governor of Chihuahua, in a letter to Gen. Gavira, also strongly denies detachments have been working south

Letcher Report Has Weight. Aithough Gen. Funston and Gen. Bell on the border have received reports ditional Signal Corps men for service confirming the story of the revolt, along his main line of communication which they believe to be true, the dis-was received today at Gen. Funston's hope to pave the way for a great inthe ground and has headquarters at the of his operations south of Casas Grancrease in the commerce between their country and the United States when the industrial reliabilitation of Russia begins after the war.

the ground and has neauquarters at the place where the revolt was said to have occurred, is taken by officials here as confirming the statements of Carray canza officials that no such revolt has been sent from El Paso for services the sent of Columbus.

Evident relief was manifest at Gen. Function's headquarters when it was

The problem of meeting any request hua had sent a the Senate finance committee today to Gen. Funston might make for rein- defection of Gen. Herrera. a proposal not only to repeal the free forcements in event of a rebellion of No Confirmation at El Paso. sugar clause of the tariff, but to in- Carranza's army was under consideracrease the present tariff by half a tion, however. If the American forces had come to military headquarters here ent a pound and levy a production were seriously attacked, it was regardtax of one cent a pound on all sugar produced in the United States, to raise emergency revenue.

Heads Missionary Conference.

NEW YORK, March 24.—Rev. James L. Barton of Boston has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the foreign missionary conference of North America, succeeding Rev. Ar-

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of the foreign missionary conference of North America, succeeding Rev. Arthur J. Brown of New York. This committee, it was said, disburses more than \$18,000,000 annually for mission work in foreign fields.

Three Times This Week.

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It is announced that the United States It is announced that the United States soon will make, for the information of the nations of the world, a clear statement of its position in regard to the conduct of submarine warfare and the many months.

conduct of submarine warfare and the arming of merchant ships for defensive Whatever the form of the declaration proposed after careful consideration to

Report No Important Move-Report on Battle Expected Hourly at San Antonio

From Gen. Pershing.

DIRECT CHASE IS LIKELY UNTIL BANDIT IS CAUGHT

State Department Says None Will Officials Think It Unlikely Americans Will Let Outlaw Get Out of Trap.

> DOUGLAS, Ariz., 1 reh 24.-Gen P. Elins Calles, military governor of Sonora, received a telegram today from Gen. Enriquez, military gov ernor of Chihunhun, stating that five columns of Carranza troops were closing in on Villa and his bandits near Namigulpa, and that with the nid of the Americans to was believed that Villa would no be able to escape.

Gov. Enriquez also telegraphed that the reports concerning the revolt of Gen. Herrern were false and were made by the "radicals" to cause trouble between the Carranza government and the United States.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 24. - Reports from Mexican sources that Villa had been defeated by American and Mexican troops at El Oso, near Namiquipa, were accepted by Gen. Funston today as probably true, although no confirmation by Gen.

Pershing had been received. Improvement in the working of the wireless made it appear likely that Gen. Pershing would break his fifth day of silence regarding operations south of Casas Grandes by rendering an account

# of the engagement at El Oso.

Direct Chase Now Probable Until now the operations against Gavira strongly denies all reports that Villa have been nothing more than a that Gen. Herrera has gone over to ward along widely separated trails, but Consul Letcher dispatched a report the opportunity for direct chase now is

## Wants More Signal Corps Men A request from Gen. Pershing for ad-

# Funston's headquarters when it was learned that Consul Letcher at Chihua-

U. S. to Outline Its Position on New Method of Warfare.

Method of

# Cannot Explain Wire Cutting.

The trainmen could throw no light

upon the cutting of the wires at the proposed after careful consideration to proposed after careful consideration to all the claims made by both sets of European belligerents, it will serve to show the course of this government in future negotiations, and may furnish the groundwork for a new international law, to be developed after the war, which will provide for the use of submarines in naval warfare. The law does not take into consideration the activities of submarines.

Mexican Northwestern ramroad, which was reported some days ago by Gen. Gavira. They said the trip was uneventful, and that they saw no signs of Villa's followers or any other bandits. Nothing was known at Casas Grandes when they left there yesterday as to any fighting at Namiquipa or elsewhere.

Minister Van Dyke on Duty Again.

THE HAGUE, March 24, via London.—
Dr. Henry Van Dyke, American minister to the Netherlands, arrived here last evening after spending a brief valuation in the United States. He was a passenger on the steamer Rotterdam.

Two Mormon colonists who arrived on the train confirmed the statements of the crew. They said that the Casas Grandes natives were very respectful to the American white soldiers, but were most impressed by a colored regiment which left for the south yesterday. The Mormons said that many na-